# APRIL 2025 In-Stitches Newsletter

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HELLO FROM FCS AGENT, DEBBIE SHEPHERD

## Happy Easter!

Our next class has been scheduled for Friday, April 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. ET. This will be Part 2 of "Love Spools." Please let us know if you will be attending by contacting the Extension Office at 606-348-8453. You can also email Joy, Vicki, or me.

Happy Stitching!

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### **April's Class ~ "Love Spools" (Part II)**

Friday, April 25, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.
Wayne County Extension Office
Downstairs Meeting Room

Please arrive by 9:30 a.m. to start setting up your sewing station. Class will begin at 10:00 a.m. prompt!

Please register so we can be prepared for you.

Don't forget your items for Show & Tell!

As always, if this is not the project for you, please bring something of your choice and join us for a fun day of sewing & fellowship!

Lunch: We will be providing Pizza & drinks.

We will need: Sides & desserts.

If you have had the safe food handling class please feel free to bring a dish to share. If you haven't, please feel free to bring something pre-packaged/prepared! You are also welcome to bring your own lunch.

Please share your recipe with us if you bring a homemade item so we can put it in the next newsletter. Thanks!

May's Class ~ Hexi Flower Table Runner Friday, May 16, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m. Wayne County Extension Office Downstairs Meeting Room

See Pages 3 & 4 for class information.



# 14" x 42" Honeycomb Table Runner – Eleanor Burns Signature Quilt In A Day

# Friday, May 16th ~10am Honeycomb Table Runner!

Class Fee: \$5 - Includes pattern & two acrylic templates Please come to class with strips cut and labeled.

**Yardage & Cutting** 

Pink 2/3 yard (3) 4 ½" strips Binding (3) 2 ½" strips

Gray ¼ yard (1) 4 ½" strip

Green ¼ yard (1) 4 ½" strip

Yellow 1/8 yard (1) 2 ½" strip

White 3/8 yard (2) 2 ½" strips

Border (3) 2" strips

Backing ½ yard Batting 20" x 48"

Please come to class with your strips cut.



I added an extra border to the "pink" table runner.

On both, I used the background color only and did not add the "Gray" Hexi.

Keep in mind if you add borders or change something, it changes fabric requirements.

Please come to class with your strips cut.



Get ready for spring with this fun HEXI Honeycomb Table Runner!

You can easily finish your top in a day! Pick out your favorite spring colors from your stash! Easy chain piecing makes this a quick one!

As always if this isn't the class for you, bring any project to work on and come join the fun & fellowship!

Lunch - We will be providing Ham/Turkey/Pimento Cheese sandwiches & drinks. We will need: Sides & Desserts

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FCS Program Assistant



Let's jump back in time. Most of us do not personally remember the 1930's but we've heard lots of stories from our parents or grandparents about that time period in America's history.

When the stock market crashed in 1929, America was plunged into its greatest recession up to that point. Quilting became popular--and necessary--again. Depression-era quilting is well documented.

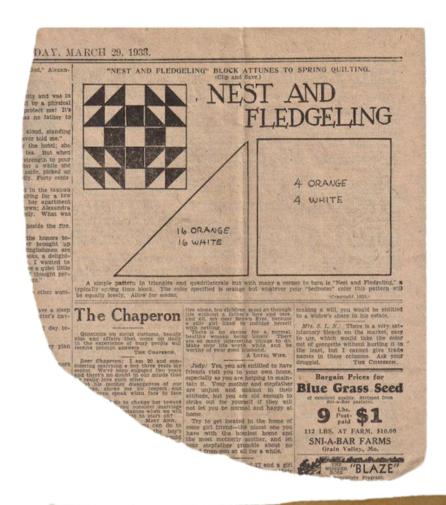
Unlike previously, it has actual written records about quilting patterns. The average American wasn't the only person hurt by the Great Depression--so were newspapers and magazines--and in order to sell more magazines, publishers began to include quilting patterns (and sometimes fabric!) in their magazines.

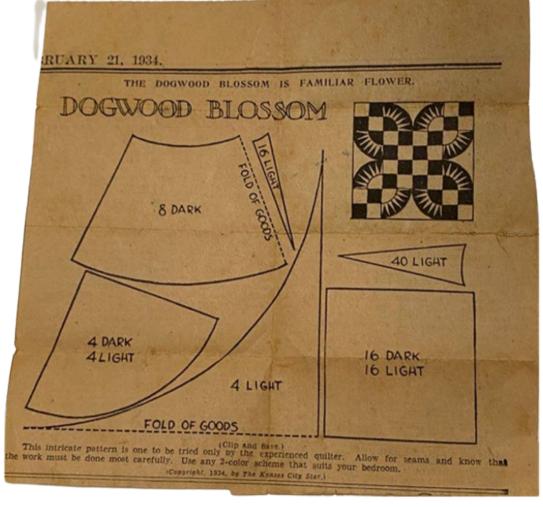
Of course, we all know about how feed companies began selling their feed in beautifully printed fabrics. This also happened during the Great Depression, and for similar reasons. Though this fabric was mostly used for clothing, it would eventually wind up in quilts, as well.

Textile manufacturers also began creating brightly colored pastel fabrics. Quilters during this time period went wild for those fabrics. They used them for clothes and, more importantly, for quilts!

Because everything was so well documented, we know which patterns emerged during this time. Both Grandma's Flower Garden and Jacob's Ladder (believe it or not) rose to prominence in the Great Depression.

The 1930 newspaper quilt patterns were a direct reflection of life during the Great Depression. Quilters saved money by using patterns. They continued providing necessary warmth for their families and offered the quilts they made from the 1930 newspaper patterns as gifts for many occasions.







# Decorative Hangers

# Kris Fixari Extension Master Clothing Volunteer Taylor County

#### Fun with Fabric



Fun with fabric, plastic hangers, and Elmers like glue.

It is helpful if you have a pinking shears or a rotary cutter with a pinking blade, to keep the fabric from fraying.

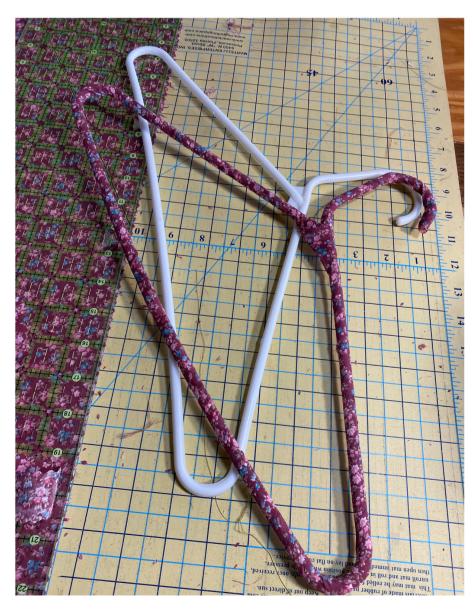
Start with cutting strips of fabric about an inch wide.



Pick out a hanger and grab your Elmers like glue and drizzle a bit of glue on the hanger. Take the fabric end and begin to wrap the fabric around the hanger, tightly. Press the fabric to the hanger and glue. Drizzle more glue and continue wrapping.

Keep drizzling glue and wrapping fabric around the hanger. This a fun and sticky project that anyone can do!





# Feather Weight Workshop!

Monday, May 19, 2025





## 10 am or 6 pm

(please indicate which time session you are attending when you register)

**Wayne County Extension Office** 

**Downstairs Meeting Room** 

**Registration Required: \$25** 

Class size limited: registration is held when payment is received

Make checks payable to: Wayne County Extension Office

**Memo: Feather Weight Workshop** 

Class will be approximately two hours long.

Dave & Sue Kinnaird of Dave's Feather Weights will be our instructors for this informative workshop!

They really enjoyed their time in Monticello during the Little Mountain Quilt Show and are excited to return to teach this class!

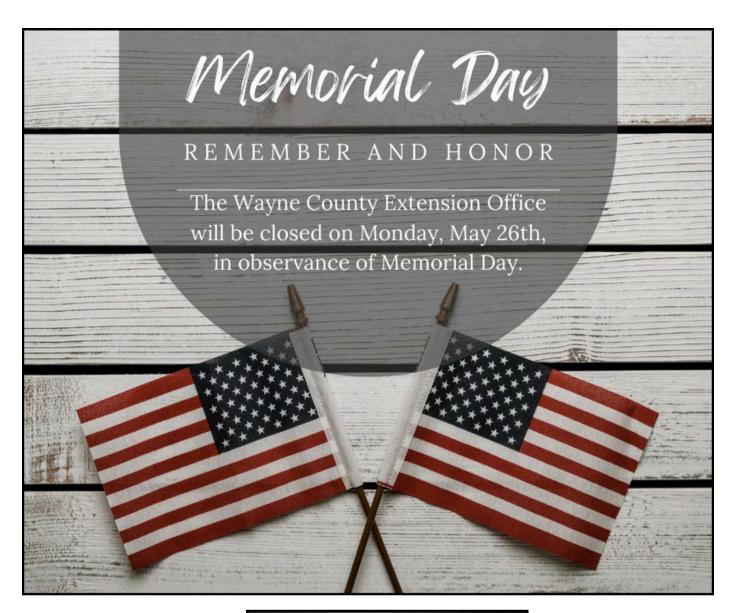
Participants will learn all about the workings of their Feather Weight machine. This is a hands-on learning skills class set at the pace of the individual participant.

Dave & Sue will have available for sale LED light bulbs, belts, etc., for those who need items their Feather Weight machines.

In addition, if there is a particular Feather Weight year or style you are looking for, please let us know and we will share it forward.

We are very excited to be offering this long-awaited workshop!

Register soon for your spot!



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